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Serial No. :  
Filed: Art Unit  
For: METHOD FOR MEASUREMENT OF :  
ROTATION RATES/ACCELERATIONS :  
USING A ROTATION RATE :  
CORIOLIS GYRO, AS WELL AS A :  
CORIOLIS GYRO WHICH IS SUIT- :  
ABLE FOR THIS PURPOSE :  
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty to disclose information material to the examination of this application as set forth in 37 CFR 1.56, copies of the following publications are cited (and submitted, where required):

- (1) International patent publication WO 02/16871 A1  
(2/28/02);
- (2) German patent DE 44 42 033 A1 (5/30/96);
- (3) International patent publication WO 02/066927 A1  
(8/29/02);
- (4) European patent application 1 253 399 A1  
(10/30/02);
- (5) Article: W. Geiger et al., "New Designs of

Micromachined Vibrating Rate Gyroscopes with Decoupled Oscillation Modes", 1997 International Conference on Solid-State Sensors and Actuators, Chicago June 16-19, 1997, pp. 1129-1132;

(6) International patent publication WO 03/014669 A2 (2/20/03);

(7) German patent DE 101 07 327 A1 (8/23/01);

(8) European patent application 1 359 391 A2 (11/5/03);

(9) United States patent 6,067,858 (5/30/02);

Documents "1" through "7" were cited in the International Search Report of March 11, 2005 issued in International patent application PCT/EP2004/013446. An English language translation of the PCT Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority is enclosed to assist the patent examiner with regard to the relevance of the cited references with respect to the claims of the International application as filed.

Documents 4, "8" and "9" were cited by the German Patent Office in an office action issued September 7, 2004 in German patent application 103 60 963.6 from which the present invention claims Convention priority (through International patent application PCT/EP2004/013446).

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Applicants' duty of candor, none of such art, either alone or in combination with any other known prior art is believed to render the invention of the present application unpatentable.

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